IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

McWane, Inc. :

Plaintiff, : Case No. C-1-00-986

v. : Judge Herman J. Weber

Fidelity & Deposit Company

of Maryland,

Defendant. :

JOINT STATUS REPORT

Plaintiff, McWane, Inc. and Defendant, Fidelity & Deposit Company of Maryland, submit the following Joint Status Report in compliance with the Court's Order of July 8, 2004:

Plaintiff, McWane, Inc. has accepted Defendant Fidelity & Deposit Company of Maryland's July 23, 2004 Offer of Judgment pursuant to Civil Rule 68. Because Plaintiff's lead counsel is out-of-town for the week, the appropriate documents so that a judgment may be entered will be filed with the Court after his return.

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